

## United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development

Texas State Office

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## USDA Rural Development Texas AN No. 587 (1951-B)

TO: All Offices

USDA Rural Development, Texas

FROM: Bryan Danie

State Director USDA Rural Development, Temple

**SUBJECT:** Log of Checks/Money Orders stored in Safe

<u>PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME</u>: To establish concise direction on handling checks and money orders held in the state and local offices.

**COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:** No other Texas AN has been issued on this subject.

<u>IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES</u>: There are several reasons for a check or money order to be stored in the local/state office safe for a relatively short period of time. Cash should not be stored in the safe. If cash is collected, it should be immediately converted to a cashier's check or money order.

For management control purposes, it is important that we are all aware if checks are stored in the safe, for what purpose, for how long, and when they are distributed, disbursed, or remitted.

Effective immediately, please complete the attached Log of Checks for each check or money order that is stored in your safe. Post to the Log of Checks each time a check or money order comes in or goes out. The Log of Checks should be stored in the safe separately from the checks and money orders, preferably in a separate drawer.

A Log of Checks should be prepared each month. At the end of each month, file the Log of Checks in your monthly collection file (1951-B) in position four (4). Transfer any checks or money orders from the previous month that are still in your safe to the next month's Log of Checks.

If you have any questions, please call Donna Freytag at 254-742-9704.

Attachment

**Expiration Date:** 

February 28, 2006

**Filing Instructions:** 

Following RD Instructions 1951-B

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State or Local Office:

Log of Checks stored in Local Office Safe

Month: Year:

Check # Check Date	د Date	Payee	Purpose	Amount	Date Received	Date Distributed	Remarks

## File reconciled Log in 1951-B - Collections monthly